

CITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD[263]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 368.10, the City Development Board gives Notice of Intended Action to adopt amendments to Chapter 7, “Voluntary Annexation,” and Chapter 8, “Petitions for Involuntary City Development Action,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The rules in Chapters 7 and 8 outline documentation requirements for annexation applications.

The proposed amendments require additional documentation before an application is approved by the City Development Board; specifically, a statement describing whether a city has applied any smart planning principles to a territory is required.

Public comments concerning the proposed amendments will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2011. Interested persons may submit written comments to Marie Steenlage, Iowa Department of Economic Development, 200 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50309; telephone (515)725-3064; or E-mail marie.steenlage@iowa.gov.

A public hearing will be held Tuesday, April 12, 2011, from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Iowa Tourism Room, First Floor, Iowa Department of Economic Development, 200 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa to receive comments on the amendments.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 368.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Adopt the following **new** paragraph **7.2(2)“j”**:

j. A statement indicating whether the city has applied smart planning principles to the territory and, if applicable, a description of how the city has applied, or intends to apply, smart planning principles.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 8.3(9) as follows:

8.3(9) Residential and commercial development regulation and projections. The petition shall include a description of current and proposed zoning regulations that apply to the annexation territory. Projected development and land use patterns shall be described under the assumption of continuation of existing land use regulations and under the assumption of land use regulations that would be applied after the annexation, if approved. Residential, commercial, and industrial development projections shall be provided based on population projections for the city and territory.

In the case of annexation, the amount of vacant developable land within the existing corporate limits and within the territory, as well as an estimate of the amount of developable land needed to accommodate future growth, shall be provided. Petitions for annexation shall include a statement indicating whether the city has applied smart planning principles to the territory and, if applicable, a description of how the city has applied, or intends to apply, smart planning principles.